

Approved 3/21/2018

**TOWN BOARD MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018  
6:00 p.m. (or immediately following Plan Commission Meeting that begins at 5:30 p.m.)  
FREEDOM TOWN HALL  
W2004 COUNTY RD S**

**1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, PLEDGE**

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. Board members present: Steve Lowney, Tim Maass, Dave Rickert and Kevin Schuh. Also present: Eng. Steve Brueggeman, Clerk/Treasurer Barb Seegers, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Colleen Laha, Attorney Steven Frassetto and Adm. Asst. Michelle Evers. Pledge recited.

**2. VERIFICATION OF POSTING**

Meeting Posted by the Clerk's office this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February 2018 at 3:30 p.m. on the 2 boards at the Town Hall and on the Town Website by the Clerk's office.

**3. ADOPT AGENDA**

***Motion by Supv. Maass with second by Supv. Kevin Schuh to approve the agenda as posted. 4 Yes 0 No MC***

**4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF 01/24/2018 and 02/14/2018 MEETINGS**

***Motion by Supv. Maass with second by Supv. Dave Rickert to approve the minutes of 1-24-2018 and 2-14-2018 meetings. 4 Yes 0 No MC***

**5. OPEN FLOOR SESSION**

**Jim Garvey** questioned what the recommendation on the proposed building is and noted that this item has dragged on for about 3 years. He was told that the Board is reviewing costs and the best time for bidding the project, but they feel it should all come together in April.

**Ron Mashlan** questioned whether there would be a referendum. He was told that has not been decided because of the original referendum that was held about 10 years ago.

**Greg Potts** questioned whether the structure that his neighbor has installed as a fence is considered a structure or a fence. He was told that decision is up to the County and the Board will investigate it further.

**Tim Maass** questioned whether the Board could move their March meeting from March 28 to March 21. Board members agreed this would work and will meet after the Plan Commission meeting on March 21.

**Supervisor Robert Schuh** arrived during Open Floor Session.

**6. DENNIS ARNOLDUSSEN REQUEST FOR DONATION FOR SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM**

***Motion by Chairman Lowney with second by Supv. Robert Schuh to approve the purchase of an insulated meal carrier bag for use by volunteers in delivering senior meals at a cost of \$345.00. 4 Yes 1 No (Maass) MC***

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**7. PLAN COMMISSION REFERRALS**

**a. Consideration of VandeHey CSM App #01-02-18-11**

*Motion by Chairman Lowney with second by Supv. Kevin Schuh to approve Vandehey CSM App. # 01-02-18-11 with 1 condition as approved by Plan Commission. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

**8. CONSIDERATION OF BOUGIE OUTDOOR FURNACE VARIANCE REQUEST**

Engineer Brueggeman explained the issue with the Bougie outdoor furnace and need for variance being that the furnace is not 100' from property line. Kindler not 15' from property line causing complaints from neighbors on flying embers, health concerns, allergies, constant smell in house, air quality and safety.

*Motion by Supv. Robert Schuh with second by Supv. Maass to table to next meeting for property owner to verify whether he can bring furnace into compliance. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

**9. CHAD KORTZ CONCERNING FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**

Chad Kortz of Freedom Food Pantry approached the Board to request that the Board consider space for the food pantry in the proposed new town complex. Right now, they are trying to operate in 700 to 800 sq. ft which is not working well. He noted that 1700 to 2000sq. ft. would be perfect. Some items they are storing at their homes because of refrigeration needs. The Board told him they will take this all under consideration.

**10. CONSIDERATION OF VOUCHERS AND DIRECT DEPOSITS**

*Motion by Supv. Maass with second by Supv. Kevin Schuh to approve vouchers #29177 to 29248 and direct deposits 8538 to 8580, TID #1 vouchers #108 and 109 and TID #2 Vouchers #109 to 111. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

**11. CONSIDERATION OF OPERATOR'S LICENSE APPLICATIONS**

*Motion by Supv. Maass with second by Supv. Kevin Schuh to approve Operator's license for Robert Smith and Maya Kwasny pending Police Dept. approval. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

**12. REPORT ON IGA WITH TOWN OF BLACK CREEK FOR ELECTION SERVICES**

Clerk Seegers reported that the proposed Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Black Creek for election services will no longer be needed.

**13. CONSIDERATION OF POLL WORKER LISTING FOR 2018 & 2019**

*Motion by Supv. Maass with second by Supv. Kevin Schuh to approve the submitted list of pollworkers for the 2018-2019 election season. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

**14. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Eng. Brueggeman** reported that bills in TID #1 will run through the TID and then be collected from the developer. Clerk will put Bel Court decision on next agenda. Discussion held on undersize pipe in ditch on Industrial Drive behind building. Engineer will send owner a letter that he will be responsible for and flooding upstream. Curbside brush pickup was discussed.

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**Police Chief Nechodom** discussed school shootings with the Board and reported that they (Police Dept.) are being called almost daily to the school because Freedom does not have a liaison officer in the district to handle the issues that are coming up. He noted that because they are a part time department If something should happen at the school when the Town does not have anyone on duty the school would have to wait for the County to get there.

**15. ATTORNEY REPORT**

**Attorney** reported on C&M Properties easement. Also reported on MCC/Peters issue with quarry.

**16. ADJOURN**

***Motion by Supv. Maass with second by Supv. Robert Schuh to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.  
5 Yes 0 No MC***

Barbara M. Seegers, Clerk